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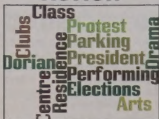
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The Real Value of University

Exploring the costs and benefits associated with university.

By ERIC STEELE

How much does it cost to get an undergraduate degree from the University of Alberta Augustana Campus? Let's start with tuition. The number and type of courses a person takes determines tuition. A full-time student with 15 units of course work will have to pay around \$3,388.96 per semester. A part-time student taking 6 units of course work would have to pay \$1,588.94 a semester. If a student lives in student residence it would cost \$6,352 for an 8-month contract in a double room, \$7,496 for a single room, which includes the food ser-

vices of the cafeteria. The prices for rent and damage deposit of off-campus housing vary, but the average cost as determined by the Augustana Students Association off-campus housing list is about \$516.10 for a month of rent and about \$500 for a damage deposit. A month's worth of groceries could cost between \$120-\$350. Books and supplies as estimated by the Augustana website is about \$1,600 a year. Non-instructional fees are about \$1,494 a year.

What about the different degrees a student would want to take? At Augustana,

most undergraduate degrees cost the same amount of money to take. The main differences in price are due to whether or not a degree requires students to buy their own equipment or go on off-campus trips. Art students, for example, have to purchase their own equipment, which includes paints and brushes. Courses that take students off campus include the Economic Development and Institutional Change China course, which takes students on a trip to China. This cost is around \$5,000 for the MIS fee and airfare alone. **BIOLO-**

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FROM THE EDITOR**The Decline of the Unbiased New Source**

CAMERON RAYNOR
EDITOR IN CHIEF

Over the past few weeks, we at the Daglightale have been surveying quite a few of you to find out what you'd like to see more of in the Dag. For many of you, the answer is more national and international news.

This year, we've been hesitant to cover non-local news. The reason for this is we feel we aren't equipped to cover national and international events as well, or even well enough, when compared to the huge organizations, such as the CBC, which specialize in such things. Our philosophy this year has been to deliver the best coverage possible of events that pertain to our campus.

Historically, even small newspapers have carried all the major news stories from across the globe. In recent times, however, this is becoming less and less true.

Have you ever heard the phrase 'off the wire'? This phrase is refers to huge journalism cooperatives, often not for profit, which cover global events on the ground and send the stories to their members. Two prominent examples of these 'wire-services' are the Associate Press and the Reuters. If you look for it, you'll see a reference to them in many of the articles you read.

These organizations play an important role in the media industry:

Since the organizations have a wide member or client base, they report the news in a non-biased fashion so it will be suitable for both Conservative and Liberal news outlets to use. They report the news without opinion, have reporters on the ground around the globe to report the news accurately, and can be at least partially credited with upholding journalistic integrity.

These services are expensive, however. Newspapers in major cities pay upwards of half a million dollars a year

for just one wire service, and the news industry isn't weathering the transition to digital well. There is nearly always a cost to free, and in this case the cost is abandoning wire service to save money.

For papers with a tight budget, it makes sense. For the most part, people don't notice unless their favorite columnist goes missing. Papers fill the space with more opinions on the news or weaker reporting; and those opinions and reports unwaveringly favour the political inclinations of the news outlet.

Perhaps the biggest loss is the loss of neutral journalism. Instead of being told what to think about, we're being told how to think. The bias labels every disagreeing point of view absurd, makes complex issues black and white, and fosters division between groups of people with more in common than they realize. Unbiased reporting is more important than dollars on a spreadsheet if we don't want to see continually divisive politics.

Questioning 'Voluntourism'

KATELYN GAEL
MANAGING EDITOR

Amid conversations with friends and peers, I once again find myself uncomfortable with the validity of international exchanges in the way they are so often performed. Now, don't get me wrong - I am a Global and Development Studies Major, I love to travel, and I want to work in sustainable development overseas post-graduation. So what is my problem? It's called "voluntourism," a combination of volunteering with tourism. There is an assumption that as the "have" people in North America, we have the right or responsibility of helping the "have-nots" in other countries.

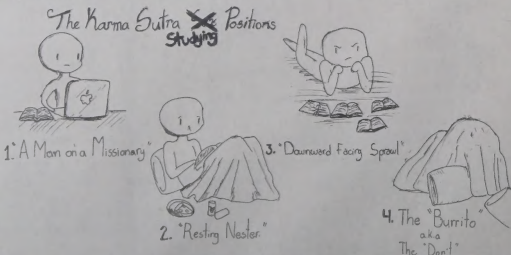
Voluntourism isn't something new - it's just something that I haven't written on before, and I figure it's time that this discussion begins in wider circles - not just the Global and Development circle. While the original thought is innocent enough, this "responsibility" often translates into a weird mixture of

vacation with a little bit of jumping into a culture, generally offending those within it, and leaving before any relationships can be formed or long term affects can be made. It is all too easy to sign up for a sensationalist "these two weeks will change your life" trip, go and build some houses, then commit some cultural faux pas that makes you laugh but leaves everyone in the community you are visiting offended. You leave the people with no tools of their own to move forward, but instead have given them a glimpse of what the North American definition of wealth and made their way of life seem as though it is not enough. On top of it all, you wound up with a cute Facebook album with a ton of adorable "poor" children.

I know I'm being rash, but my point is that people're to ask what their true motivation for going to help is. Often, visiting "helpers" create more work for long term workers and are not culturally or linguistically aware enough to fully grasp a complex issue, such as poverty, never mind fix it. I've been on

a few trips that qualify as "voluntourism," and now I cringe to think about the impressions I left and the hurt and comparisons I likely caused. If you are in a country to help, form relationships, and learn from the people there. Ask yourself what long-term impact you hope to leave behind, and if it is possible. Are you going to experience the beauty of a different culture or upset it? Are you going to sight see, or see the people that live there and their way of life?

Before you book your next trip around the world, ask yourself why you're really going. Is it mostly to see the world? Then do so - don't disguise it as something else. If you do want to travel in a way that is helpful, don't assume you know much of anything just because you are blessed to live the high quality of life that exists in Canada. Find out if there are existing organizations that have worked to form relationships with the people and culture you are travelling to, and get tied in with them - it is the people there who can show you what help is really needed.

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Student Academic Conference Showcases Student Research

By KAITLYN BAIER

The Fall 2014 Student Academic Conference on Dec. 1 included a wide variety of presentations covering a number of interesting topics. Students spoke on the spirituality of female sexuality, the effects of religion on society, the applicability of restorative justice, the heightened sensory experiences of autistic children and the role AQUA plays in supporting the queer community on campus.

Kaitlyn Jones, Cole Kander, Mark Wilms and Dylan Hansen, senior political studies majors, shared their capstone papers.

Senior biology students shared their research on the nature of extreme sexual dimorphism in insects and proposed further research studying the scales of butterfly wings and identifying pattern features that cause but-

terfly wings to resemble dead leaves.

Hackborn's Mathematical Ecology and Dynamical Systems class gave presentations about the models the students developed to describe natural biological systems.

Spencer Krynanowski performed Rodney Sharman's *The Garden*, a complex piece that has been described as "sexually explicit, provocative and entrancing," involving piano, speaking and percussive sections.

The forum was a temporary gallery of ART271 work. Paintings of ice cream sundae meant to evoke desire in the viewers were displayed alongside the class' "Nocturne" project, in which the students created some truly captivating work. If a particular painting captured your heart, feel free to speak to the student who created it and ask about a purchase price.

Melissa Tollitt was also in the forum with her scientific poster describing her study on personality in gerbils.

Augustana concludes every semester with a Student Academic Conference in order to give students the opportunity to share the work they have done in directed readings/studies or senior classes. The conference takes place in the evening; from 6 - 9 p.m. Students give 15 to 30 minute presentations in rooms across campus. They break for half an hour at 7:30 and are encouraged to share the break in the forum where refreshments are provided for anyone to enjoy while they take in the art and posters on display. Not only does the conference give students a chance to share their work, it also gives professors and other students the opportunity to learn about what the senior students on campus are working

on. Attending sessions outside their discipline can open students' minds to issues they hadn't thought about before and even motivate them to take on similar research.

The conference was so full of interesting presentations that some attendees found it difficult to decide which sessions to see. In order to have time for all the presentations, there are up to 8 presentations being given at the same time. With such a number and variety of topics being covered, anyone would have been able to find at least one presentation that would have engaged them. If you weren't able to make it this semester, I would encourage you to support your peers and attend in the Winter 2015 Student Academic Conference on Monday, April 13.

Is the Cost of a Degree Worth It?

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gy students may take the Costa Rica field studies course, with MIS fees of around \$3,100 - \$3,500. Environmental Sciences/ Studies students can go on a field studies course, which costs \$700 - \$1,100, as well as tuition for the summer semester. An Outdoor Education major is by far the most expensive degree a student can take at Augustana, as they must buy the majority of their equipment and pay MIS fees for 6 different courses that range in price from \$450 to \$5,000, as well as tuition.

So how much does it cost to get a university degree? Say I am a full-time student studying English Literature. My tuition fees will cost \$13,555.84 for four years of study. I will live in residence in a double room for two years before moving off campus for my last two years. This part of my degree will cost me \$26,560. It will cost me \$6,400 for books and supplies for those four years as well as \$5,976 for non-instructional fees.

I decide to go on the Economic Development and Institutional Change China trip that costs an additional \$5,000. By the time I graduate, I will have spent a minimum \$58,491.84 on my undergraduate degree.

Is my undergraduate degree worth this cost? Reasons for coming to university vary, but for the purpose of this article I will focus on an undergraduate degree as an investment. Students spend four years of their time and money with the hopes of getting a job that would otherwise be unavailable for them and will pay enough to earn their money back. What are the chances that an English Literature student will get a job with just an undergraduate degree?

According to research co-authored by Thomas Lemieux, a labor economist at the University of British Columbia, graduates of all bachelor's degrees collectively earned 40 to 50 percent more than high-school graduates in 2005. In the two years leading up to September of 2010, Canada created 280,000

new jobs requiring a university degree.

When searching for a job, Neil Hepburn advises students to not focus on a job that is associated to their degree's name, but rather to focus on a job associated with the skills they gained from their degree. Outdoor Education, for example, doesn't just teach hard skills related to outdoor travel, but also leadership, conflict resolution and group dynamic skills. Drama students develop public speaking and presentational skills. English Literature develops clear writing, presentation and research skills. Jobs that require clear writing skills include technical writers, reporters, correspondents, advertisement, social work teachers, public relations managers and chief executives. Finally, when searching for a job, every Augustana student has three skills to offer employers: critical thinking, detailed research and clear communication as taught by the Augustana Core.

Corrections: Student Works

In the Article 'Swindling on Preview Day' in the Nov. 26 paper, Student Works was mistaken for being the organization in the cafeteria. On preview day both Student Works and College Pro were on campus. College Pro was uninvited, but Student Works had received permission from administration. College Pro made the announcement in the cafeteria and was the more aggressive group. For clarity, both companies are in the student painting business but have very different approaches. The experience students have with the company of Student Works can be quite different than the one that students may have with College Pro.

Vikings Voices

The response, "Take it easy, don't stress, eat lots of water, and take time to breath," should have been attributed to Paurav Dana.

The Seven Woes of Winter

By HOLLY YURKOSKI

Alright kiddies, time to celebrate the Seven Woes of Winter here in Canada!

7. You want to build a snowman.

And Disney has thoroughly ruined it for you.

6. The calendar lies.

According to most calendars, winter doesn't officially start on Dec. 21. All the snow we have right now? A conspiracy constructed by the government to trick us into thinking that winter starts early.

"According to most calendars, winter doesn't officially start to Dec. 21."

ments it gets colder and colder. Before you know it that delicious Big Mac tastes like day old pizza and you are stuck eating it.

3. Your car hates you.

Your car loves you for about 1/3 of the year when the roads are nice and the days are long. The minute it snows, however, all affection is given to its spot in the parking lot, and no, you're not allowed to move it. Your car enlists things like black ice, thick fog, severe lack of plug-ins, and drained batteries to prevent you from driving it anywhere. Which is kind of the whole point of having car in Camrose anyways...

2. It's the season to be broke.

Everything goes up in winter. You buy more gas for your traitorous vehicle, you buy more food because you got to get fat to fight the chill, you may have to buy endless gifts for people you've bumped into the hallway once and are now considered your friend. The list goes on.

1. We still have to go outside.

Be it for school, groceries, or dreaded social interaction, we still have to face this crazy season and you better do it with a smile too. Last I checked Canadian's were all about smiling in winter; probably because we've all realised we're trapped in snow globes and must live out the rest of our life covered in frost.

0. No one realizes that we're bears yet.

One day we will be allowed to hibernate this horror away. One day,

SNAPSHOTS OF AUGUSTANA



On Dec. 1, Jessica Robley and Ryley Corcoran perform in the end-of-term drama performance.



Joedy Dalke surfs a wave at West Edmonton Waterpark in a solo canoe. On Dec. 2, the Augustana Outdoors Club brought their boats to paddle in the waves for a third straight year.

Photo: AMY ADEFFE

Photo: JOEDY DALKE

Afri-Youth Host One Night in Africa

By KATELYN GAE

The Afri-Youth Club focuses on educating others about African culture and diversity. The club aims to create a community among nationalities and address stereotyping issues within Africa through the exposition of unseen aspects throughout Africa.

On Friday, Nov. 28, the Afri-Youth club at Augustana held an event, One Night in Africa, to raise funds for Doctors Without Borders (MSF). The event was

created in light of the current Ebola outbreak with hopes of donating the money to Ebola victims in Sierra Leone, Guinea, and Liberia. The night was filled with food, culture, dancing, and community building.

Through the club's efforts, approximately \$5000 was raised for MSF, and over 100 people attended. The event was a hit. Thank you to everyone who came out and supported the cause and enjoyed the African community at Augustana.



Members of the Afri-Youth club lead a closing dance at One Night in Africa.



From left to right: Chijioke Eke, Sylvia Tulus, and Les Parsons pose for a photo before the event.



The Augustana Choir sings an African song at One Night in Africa.

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Expert Shares Perspective at Augustana on New Prostitution Law

By EMILY MCILROY

A new law, which came into effect on Dec. 6, 2014, made the buying of sexual services illegal throughout Canada. On Nov. 28, Kate Quinn, the executive director of the Centre to End all Sexual Exploitation, came to Augustana and shared her perspective on the new Bill C-36 that has been passed in the Supreme Court of Canada. Quinn explained that the bill is a step in the right direction to abolishing human trafficking and prostitution in Canada and provides a model for the expectations of society.

The bill allows for the sellers of prostitution to be immune from prosecution, realizing that they are victims and deserve to be treated with respect. As opposed to condemning the victims, the Canadian government wishes to assist individuals in exiting lives of exploitation.

The fine and jail time given to offenders by this legislation holds buyers

accountable for fueling the continuation of sexual exploitation and human trafficking. Without purchasers of the high risk of violence activity, human trafficking and sexual exploitation would be eradicated. The law, therefore, is a primary stage in diminishing the demand for sexual services.

"Quinn is a resident of Edmonton and shared a story from her hometown."

The Bill C-36 also states that the soliciting of sexual services is considered a criminal offence, given the advertiser is not advertising his or her services. This clause is important as it attempts to eradicate the exploitation of others for personal economic interests.

Quinn is a resident of Edmonton and shared a story from her hometown. One night, Quinn was in her home and heard a frantic knocking on the door. When she opened the door, she was met by a young woman and two men were approaching the house. She got the girl into her house and offered her tea. The girl had been unwilling to offer the sexual services the men were asking for and took flight with their money. Quinn made sure the girl was accompanied home that night and learnt she only lived 6-7 blocks from Quinn's house. At that moment, Quinn realized that the victims of sexual exploitation are our neighbours. That night the community got the girl home safely. To make change, Quinn emphasizes the importance of community activism and making an extra step by meeting greater powers to evoke change.

Quinn explained that poverty relief is an essential component such that finan-

cial situations do not result in the selling of one's body. Having access to the basics of life primarily comes down to financial stability. Without money to afford a roof to sleep under or access to food, individuals must find a source of income.

In order to help individuals attempting to end lives of prostitution, education is essential as a stepping stone to new employment opportunities. Support systems for victims are crucial as they often live with a burden of shame, and face a societal barrier.

This law could be the initiation of a paradigm shift, as laws have the ability to shape attitudes and build basic foundations for accepted culture. The youth of today will grow up with a law that tells them it is not okay to buy sexual services.

As Macklemore and Ryan Lewis would say, a law "on paper isn't going to solve it all, but it's a damn good place to start."

SPORTS



On Friday, Nov. 28, the women's basketball team won their game against NAIT 65-64.

Photo: ERIC STEELE



#12 Jill Mettrunc spikes the ball into NAIT's defense as the Augustana Vikings take on the NAIT Ooks. The women lost 2-3.



On Thursday, December 4th, the University of Alberta Augustana Vikings Hockey team played RDC, coming out with a 5-1 win.

Photo: ERIC STEELE

Home Games

- January 9 -

Hockey

Vikings vs. SAIT

7:30 p.m.

Encana Arena

- January 16 -

Basketball

Vikings vs. Grande Prairie

Women: 6:00 p.m.

Men: 8:00 p.m.

Augustana Gym

- January 17 -

Basketball

Vikings vs. Grande Prairie

Women: 1:00 p.m.

Men: 3:00 p.m.

Augustana Gym

Hockey

Vikings vs. Grant MacEwan

7:30 p.m.

Encana Arena

- January 23 -

Volleyball

Vikings vs. Concordia

Women: 6:00 p.m.

Men: 8:00 p.m.

Augustana Gym

- January 24 -

Basketball

Vikings vs. Concordia

Women: 1:00 p.m.

Men: 3:00 p.m.

Augustana Gym

Hockey

Vikings vs. Portage

7:30 p.m.

Encana Arena



On Friday, Nov. 28, the men's basketball team lost their game against NAIT 83-91.

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Classroom Building Renovations Planned

By EMILY MCILROY

Dean Allen Berger considers renovations of the Classroom and Science Building to be the Augustana Campus' highest priority project. He realizes the laboratories are ill equipped and not up to date, and that classroom spaces do not provide adequate environments to cultivate active and engaged learning.

When Berger accepted the position of Dean in 2011 he viewed the science building as the most important infrastructure project, but with the Performing Arts Centre planning at a critical stage and experiencing many struggles it was important he ensured that project did not fall apart. The Founder's Hall project also acted as a distraction to the progression of the Science Building project, but was launched as it received deferred maintenance funding. Another factor was that the performing Arts Centre and Founder's Hall projects were only minor compared to the scale of the changes that need to be made to the Science Building. The new renovations and additional construction are expected to cost three to four times as much as the Performing Arts Center, and would run over a 3-4 year period.

Don Scott was appointed Minister of Innovation and Advanced Education on Sep. 15 2014; one of the ministry's goals is to ensure students are given all the tools they require to succeed. With the instability due to changes in government, Augustana has been struggling to gain the government's support in funding the project. Faculty members are concerned that the amount of funding they receive could result in being forced to scale back their ambitions. Dave Hancock, who was Alberta's premier last spring, was given a tour of the classroom and science building; he left with a strong impression, and became a firm supporter of the project. Although he is no longer a part of government, he remains an important ally. Verlyn Olson, the local M.L.A., is also an important advocate for the project.

The current classrooms, especially C-167, mostly offer typical lecture style classes; are crowded; and do not facilitate creative, interactive learning. Berger facetiously commented that if he ever had an atomic bomb he would blow up C.167, that's how much he hates it. Berger envi-

sions the new classrooms that allow for the shift of seating in order to have lecture time but also to move into group conversations.

Consultants from Stantec have evaluated the situation and have proposed two plans: One plan would be to modernize classrooms and laboratory spaces with additional construction. The second would be to modernize the science extension but tear down the classroom building and add new construction. The difference in cost of the two options only varies by a few million, which is a small portion of the total cost. Either way the project will be phased such that classes and labs can continue.

Augustana envisions the employment of many new faculty members as enrollment continues to increase. From last year to this year alone the university experienced a 6% increase in enrollment. Four years ago Augustana had 930 students and

"When Berger accepted the position of Dean in 2011 he viewed the science building as the most important infrastructure project"

now has 1060. The goal for the next 5 years is to increase this number to 1200. When planning construction, it is important to consider it a long-term project and take into account the needs of future students 5 years down the road. Additional students will require additional faculty, and therefore new faculty offices. Dean Berger wishes for the new offices to be comfortable environments in which professors can work and interact with their students. The first floor of Hoyme is currently occupied by offices, which would be moved to the improved classroom building. The current offices and the floor would then be converted into additional dorm rooms.

Currently, the progress of this project is a matter of gaining government support to fund the project and discovering when the government will find it in their capacity to fund the project. Only once the funding is received can final planning and construction begin.

Canada World Youth Wants to Talk About Safety In Public Spaces

Submission by NURA YUNUS

You may have seen us on campus and in the community. We volunteered at the Spirit of the Land Conference, play in most of the Campus Recreation sports and have made the Forum our home-away-from-home. We are the Canada World Youth participants, and we are living and volunteering in Camrose from October 2014 to January 2015.

Canada World Youth is a non-profit organization offering international education programs to young people aged 15-35 since 1971. As part of the Youth Leaders in Action program of CWY, groups of 18 young people spend six months together-three months in a Canadian community, three in a partner country. This is the eleventh time Camrose has hosted CWY participants with this group hailing from across Canada and Indonesia.

As part of the initiative to address the Millennium Development Goals of the United Nations, Canada World Youth programs are assessing gender equity in all of the Canadian and partner country commu-

nities they live in using a Women's Safety Audit. This is a tool developed by METRAC, the Metropolitan Action Committee on Violence Against Women and Children, to evaluate women's feelings of safety in public spaces at night. It has been used and adapted around the world by housing developments, public transportation companies, and university and college campuses.

"51% of Canadian women report having experienced at least one incident of physical or sexual violence since the age of sixteen."

Many people ask why Camrose needs an audit because it is a safe city. Despite this, according to the World Health Organization, 51% of Canadian women report having experienced at least one incident of

physical or sexual violence since the age of sixteen. The Audit's purpose is to work with women in their communities to look at the physical characteristics that make them feel unsafe, such as lack of lighting or maintenance of sidewalks because women are experts on their own sense of safety. Feelings of safety differ between groups of women too, for example, a young woman might feel safer than an older woman, or a transgender woman. The process involves gathering diverse women to talk about feelings of safety in this community, walk together at night noting physical characteristics that make them feel unsafe and then make recommendations on improving the area to community groups and local government.

Two of the Canada World Youth volunteers, myself and Apasari Rara Nastiti, have been talking to different groups of women in Camrose to hear about their feelings of walking alone at night and the conversations have been enlightening. This community is very safe, but women still feel the need to take precautions like having a cellphone ready to dial a

friend or placing keys in between your knuckles in case you get attacked. Some women, because of mobility issues, disabilities or lack of reliable transportation, do not leave their homes at night at all.

Armed with this information, we mapped out routes through the downtown core to audit and on Thursday, December 4 and Saturday, December 6 set out with groups of community members and the other CWY participants. We invited men to attend as allies to hear from women about how they feel walking at night, to better understand the fears women intrinsically have. On our walk, we found that what made the women uncomfortable was lack of lighting on streets, dark parking lots and corners, icy sidewalks, no pedestrian crosswalks and more.

Our next step is to compile the data into a report to present to City Council. We want to thank everyone who attended and the wonderful community members we had the pleasure of meeting and speaking with. We will make the information public so stay tuned!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Vikings Games

Check out the sports sections for a complete list of upcoming Vikings home games!



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Tuesday, January 6th

Soup Supper Resumes
Epiphany Celebration with Holden Prayer & Soup Supper
Faith & Life Lounge
5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Sponsored by Campus Chaplaincy

Ice Hunt
In the Quad
(time TBD)
Sponsored by the ASA

Wednesday, January 7th

Skating at Mirror Lake
6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Meet in Faith & Life Lounge
Sponsored by Campus Chaplaincy

Thursday, January 8th

Casino Night
Augustana Forum
8:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.
Sponsored by the ASA

Friday, January 9th

Coffee House
2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Faith & Life Lounge
Sponsored by Campus Chaplaincy

Saturday, January 10th

Jam Praise Worship Service
Chapel
8:00 p.m.
Sponsored by Campus Chaplaincy

Sunday, January 11th

Skate rental program begins

During Climbing Wall hours
For more information contact campus rec.

Learn to Skate with Vikings
1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Details TBA

RA VS ASA
Game Night
Augustana Gym
6:30 p.m.
Sponsored by the ASA and Reslife

Monday, January 12th

Club Fair
Augustana Forum
10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Tuesday, January 13th

Powder Puff Football
location and time TBD
Sponsored by the ASA

Wednesday, January 14th

Augustana's Got Talent Auditions
In the Meyer Community Hall
6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
Sponsored by the ASA

Thursday, January 15th

Snow Derby
Jubilee Park
(time T.B.A.)
Sponsored by the ASA

A night at the climbing wall
7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Sponsored by the Augustana Climbing Club

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Friday, January 16th

Winter Registration Deadline
Last day to add or drop courses

Ongoing Events

Soup Supper
Faith and Life Centre
Every Tuesday at 5:30 p.m.

ASA Meetings

ASA Boardroom
Will continue in the new semester
Every Wednesday at 5:30 p.m.

Campus Rec

Augustana Gym
Will continue in the new semester
For more information see @AUGrec on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram

DISTRACTIONS

Crossword: Christmas Edition

Across

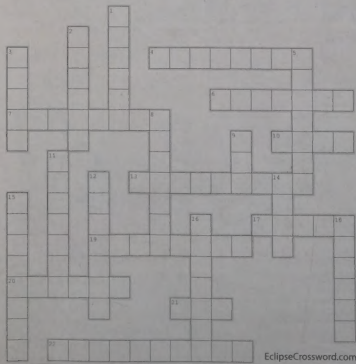
4. Given to family and friends.
6. Hanukkah candelabrum
7. Down the hill.
10. If you're on the naughty list.
13. Kiss me.
17. Tracked by NATO each year.
19. Christmas oranges.

Down

20. Shiny on the tree.
21. Christmas colour.
22. In your head, dancing
1. Tradesmen and servants received gifts on this day.
2. Beverage of the holidays.
3. Don't fall.
5. Don't be a
8. In Spanish

Across

9. The day before Christmas.
11. Reindeer with "B" name.
12. Block it if you don't want a stranger inside.
14. Snowman from Frozen.
15. Roasted over on open fire.
16. Politician born on Christmas day.
18. Arrival of a notable person, thing, or event.



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Sudoku

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Last Issue's Crossword Solutions

Across: 2. Enigmas, 4. Fourth, 6. Puppies, 8. Stressed, 12. Whitingentice, 16. Sweatpants, 18. Bump, 19. Ripped, 20. Bump, 22. Bump, 24. Bump, 26. Bump, 28. Bump, 30. Bump, 32. Bump, 34. Bump, 36. Bump, 38. Bump, 40. Bump, 42. Bump, 44. Bump, 46. Bump, 48. Bump, 50. Bump, 52. Bump, 54. Bump, 56. Bump, 58. Bump, 60. Bump, 62. Bump, 64. Bump, 66. Bump, 68. Bump, 70. Bump, 72. Bump, 74. Bump, 76. Bump, 78. Bump, 80. Bump, 82. Bump, 84. Bump, 86. Bump, 88. Bump, 90. Bump, 92. Bump, 94. Bump, 96. Bump, 98. Bump, 100. Bump.

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The Fall Term in Review



By IAN ANDERSON

For the end of the calendar year, I thought I would do a term in review where I showcase some

of the major events and issues, and give some thought on each. I will now stand up on my soapbox.

CPAC/LPAC/PAC/JAPLAC/That New Building

The Lougheed Performing Arts Centre is the newest addition to the Augustana campus and with it has come the student body's ability to bitch. Since opening, students have questioned the purpose and need of the facility, just because the building is on campus doesn't mean that it is for the students or we should get special treatment. Having gone to a number of performances at LPAC I can say that I think it is a great addition to the campus and city as a whole. The building doesn't need study space for students or have an open bar because that isn't the intent of the facility. It is here to provide theatre to the region. Many of LPAC's events have student pricing that makes the shows affordable to students. I would encourage students to go and enjoy a show in the new year.

President Change

We have a new U of A President! Mr. Turpin will replace Samaraskera after his two-term reign over us. Turpin brings many years of experience as the executive of the University of Victoria, and it will be interesting to see how things will change with the university under new management.

Parking

So parking... By now the bane of Jo-Anne's existence and hot topic of everyone at Augustana. With LPAC came construction and thus we lost a parking lot that was needed as part of the development plans. The issue for students is that the ravine lot is sometimes completely full and leaves students frustrated. Or on the other side of campus, off campus students can't find spots either and end up parking blocks

"Unfortunately, not much can happen at this point with snow on the ground."

away. Probably what got students upset was administrations seemingly "meh" mentality towards the problem. It was supposed to be a few months of making due until the lot by LPAC was reopened. Well, here we are in December and though parking has become bearable, it is still something that would be nice if it were dealt with. Unfortunately, not much can happen at this point with snow on the ground. Protest at legislature: "Students in Solidarity"

"Hey Hey, Ho Ho, Student debt has got to go," and "No ifs, no buts, no education cuts" were the main rally chants at the protest outside the legislature in Edmonton on Nov. 18. Around 300 students from across Alberta came to protest the provincial government and persuade them to not cut post-secondary education. Wait, what about the student debt has got to go part? Or the need for "affordable education" according to some protestors? It seems that a number of groups banded together even though they had different agendas. This lack of a consistent message, in my opinion, muddled the overall message of government cuts and instead made the students look entitled and just wanting handouts. Also,

what constitutes as affordable education?

Full Residence

This year we have more first years than Augustana has ever had. With it has come flooded washrooms, out of commission bathroom stalls, phallus depictions on the walls, and general degeneracy. I know not every first year falls into the assumed perception, but man is this year bad. Seems like every floor is First East this year. So as a general public service announcement, can the first years causing the problems, please give it a rest? F+O has better things to do like installing motion sensor lights in the ravine hallways. (Full disclosure, I haven't asked F+O about motion sensor lights yet)

Usefulness of Attending Class

This term Augustana has seen students become more vocal about the quality of their education whether it be through the efficient use of class time or easy A courses. Certain Profs at Augustana have been accused of providing a less than optimal in class experience which has resulted in students not attending class, because anyone can read PowerPoint slides. Surprisingly enough, this term has also seen a growth in the number of students not wanting an easy A course, me being one of them. I came to university to increase my skillset, not get a piece of paper that told me I have skills when I don't. I do not want to take a course in [Insert a course] and find out in a few years that it doesn't cut it in the job market. Another problem with easy A courses is that it is devaluing the worth of our degrees. Eventually, people will catch on that Augustana gives out easy degrees and it will become worthless down the line. I don't want the reputation of Augustana diminished and to not be proud of my (soon to be) degree. Currently, administration is looking into this issue.

ASA Voting Regulations

At the start of every year, the ASA holds its fall elections to fill open positions. This year was a bit different, as a position had only one candidate run, but did not have secure enough votes to be elected. The issue came from the policy that requires 65% of the vote that is in place to encourage candidates to take an unopposed race seriously. The aftermath of the election was the candidate campaigning for election reform, generating upheaval over the election procedures. Recently ASA has changed the policy to a 50% plus one requirement for uncontested races.

Club Funding

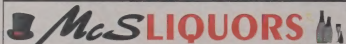
Club funding has been another interesting development this term as it is the first time the club funding structure has been based on events vs. seniority status. I think this is a great step forward for the ASA as new clubs aren't limited to small cheap events while older clubs have to show purpose to their events and not waste or tie up the budget. Overall it levels the playing field and should make for more, hopefully better, events down the road. What needs to happen next term is for the ASA to sit down and thoroughly evaluate if the current structure works or needs improvement.

Drama Production (Dorian Grey)

Mr. Grey traded his soul for eternal youth that only seemed to backfire because he went 0-100 over a girl. Overall enjoyable play, could tell that the drama students rehearsed at length as there were no noticeable hiccups when I went. Much more tasteful than some elements of the movement class's final project... Pouring hot wax and whipping on stage, and the rape scene that minimizes the issue. #liberalartsampus

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